

Village of La Grange Park
Work Session Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2022

A Work Session Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was scheduled February 8, 2022, at 7:30 p.m., via Teleconference due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Village President James Discipio called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. President Discipio stated for the record that the meeting was being held remotely due to COVID-19 and confirmed that all participants could hear. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked Village Clerk Meghan Kooi to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were *(unless otherwise noted)*:

Trustees: Robert Lautner
Jamie Zaura
Amanda Seidel
Karen Koncel
Michael Sheehan
Jermaine Stewart

Village President: James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager: Julia Cedillo
Assistant Village Manager: Maggie Jarr
Finance Director: Larry Noller
Village Clerk: Meghan Kooi
Village Attorney: Cathy Keating
Village Engineer: Mark Volk
Public Works Director: Rick Radde
Police Chief: Tim Contois
Director of Building and Fire: Dean Maggos

Village Clerk Kooi informed President Discipio that a quorum was present.

Public Participation (Agenda & Non-Agenda Related Items)

There was none.

Building and Zoning Committee Items

Discussion – Subdivision, Special Use Permits, and Variation Requests for 531 N. La Grange Road.

The Village Board reviewed and discussed the zoning requests from Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. A total of nine applications were considered by the Planning and Zoning Commission over two meetings. Trustee Jamie Zaura had attended the PZC meetings, and the three biggest concerns raised were traffic, safety, and lighting. Trustee Zaura stated the lighting concerns would be addressed by the village codes, and Andy's had conducted a traffic study to address the traffic and safety concerns. Trustee Robert Lautner questioned how Andy's had responded to and addressed resident concerns. Assistant Village Manager Maggie Jarr highlighted several ways that Andy's had modified their typical shop design in response to resident feedback. The building materials and façade color will utilize earth tones, the typical monument sign will be modified with the materials used and the illumination type, and the overall exterior lighting levels will be modified to be dimmer than other Andy's locations. Andy's also added landscaping features to include additional shade trees based on staff comments. At the end of the discussion, *there was a consensus to place all 9 motions, 1. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Approving a Plat of Subdivision for 515 and 531 N. La Grange Road-Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 2. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Drive-Through Facility for 531 N. La Grange Road - Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 3. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for Outdoor Dining/or*

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531 N. La Grange Road - Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 4. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Variation for Accessory Structure Height for the Patio Canopy for 531 N. La Grange Road - Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 5. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Variation for Accessory Structure Height for the Drive-Through Canopy for 531 N. La Grange Road - Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 6. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Variation for Menu Board Signs for 531 N. La Grange Road – Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 7. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Variation for Directional Signs for 531 N. La Grange Road - Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 8. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Variation for Wall Signs for 531 N. LaGrange Road - Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC. 9. Motion to Approve an Ordinance Granting a Variation for Exterior Lighting Height for the Patio Canopy for 531 N. La Grange Road – Andy's Frozen Custard Stores, LLC under the Building and Zoning Report as action items at the February 22, 2022, Village Board Meeting.

Discussion – PUD Preliminary Plan for 315 N. La Grange Road – Plymouth Place, Inc.

Village Trustees reviewed and discussed the PUD preliminary plan submission from Plymouth Place, Inc. Trustee Michael Sheehan raised concerns regarding the density of the area and the potential stormwater run-off issues. Village Engineer Mark Volk explained that the new project will include under an acre of impervious surface which is a 4% increase to what is currently in that location. Due to the village and MWRD's stormwater management requirements, the stormwater basin will be increased in size by 45% compared to what is there today. The net inflow will actually be a decrease to the stormwater overflow. *At the end of the discussion, there was a Consensus to place Motion: To Approve an Ordinance Granting Approval Of A PUD Preliminary Plan and Special Use for 315 N. La Grange Road – Plymouth Place, Inc. as an action item under the Building and Zoning Report at the February 22, 2022, Village Board Meeting.*

Public Safety Committee Items

Trustee Amanda Seidel read the Agenda Memo Item Fire Academy Tuition Payment. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Seidel made a Motion: To Approve The Payment Of \$20,400.00 To The Village Of Romeoville Fire Academy For Tuition Payment For Six Fire Department Candidates To Attend The Basic Operations Fire Academy. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Public Works Committee Items

Trustee Sheehan read the Agenda Memo Item Surplus Public Works Equipment. *At the end of the discussion, Trustee Sheehan made a Motion: To Approve An Ordinance Authorizing The Sale, Trade-In, Or Disposal Of Surplus Property Of The Village Of La Grange Park, Illinois. The motion was seconded by Trustee Karen Koncel and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Other Reports

President Discipio called upon Village Manager Julia Cedillo for a report. The first Finance Committee meeting to review the upcoming fiscal year draft budget will be held on March 8th at 6:00 p.m. Village staff have launched a new program on the village's website to promote the available commercial properties for sale in the community. The village will be hosting a community wellness virtual program series. The virtual programs will be available to all residents. The first program will be held on February 28th from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Residents can register for the first program on the village's website. Residents do not have to register but it is recommended.

President Discipio called upon Village Clerk Kooi for a report. There was nothing to report.

President Discipio had one item to report on. President Discipio reported that Robert Fridrych had recently passed away. Mr. Fridrych was a La Grange Park resident who served the community as a police officer from 1968 – 1999.

Commercial Revitalization Committee

Discussion - Village Market Streetscape Improvement Plan – Consultant Selection

Village Trustees discussed the approval of a contract for consultant services to develop a Streetscape Improvement Plan for the Village Market area. Last year, the village released a Request for Proposals for consultant services to develop a Streetscape

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Improvement Plan for the Village Market area. This plan will present a vision and recommendations for public improvements that establish a safer, more inviting environment along La Grange Road and throughout the Village Market. The Village received six proposals. The Commercial Revitalization Committee interviewed four consultant firms on January 6 and met again on January 25 to discuss the proposals and results of the interviews. The Committee recommended that the Village Board approve the selection of Sam Schwartz and their sub-consultant, Site Design Group, by a vote of two (2) to one (1). Trustee Jermaine Stewart explained that the CRC's choice of Sam Schwartz/Site Design came down to intangibles and innovation. Sam Schwartz demonstrated a desire to cater to the specific needs of the village. Their firm is a national leader in traffic safety, mitigating accidents, and supporting flow of traffic. Trustee Sheehan reiterated his original choice of Kimley Horn, stating their in-house engineer would be beneficial to the project, and that they had received stellar references. Village Trustees agreed to review all provided documentation on the firms and interview process before the next Village Board meeting. *At the end of the discussion, it was determined that the Motion: To Authorize and Direct the Village Manager to Execute a Contract with Sam Schwartz for Consultant Services to Develop a Streetscape Improvement Plan for the Village Market in the Amount \$70,710, Plus An Additional 10% Contingency would be placed as an Action item under the Commercial Revitalization Committee Report at the February 22, 2022 Village Board Meeting.*

New Business


There was none.

Adjourn

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Board, President Discipio stated he would entertain a motion to adjourn. *Trustee Lautner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Trustee Sheehan and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan M. Kooi
Village Clerk